



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : S. NAKATA et al
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Examiner : L. Alexander
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 16, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Petition and fee for a three-month Extension of Time also accompanies this response.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

Appendix including PTO-1449 Form and cited documents are attached following page 6 of this paper.